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December and January, 1917 – 1918, proved highly unfavorable for most of our winter resident birds owing to deep snows which lay for a long period and covered most of their available food. Very few species were noted up to February 10, when those conditions were broken. Notwithstanding repeated and rather prolonged periods, ranging from 12 to 15 degrees below zero, at Cleveland Heights, peach buds, contrary to precedent and expectation, have not been killed, and the fruit buds of other trees are now in prime condition. Since February 10 comparatively mild weather has prevailed and the season has been ideal for all migratory birds. Recorded dates of arrival, however, show but little change from those of last year, which proved exceedingly fatal to bird-life, especially to young in the nest, owing to protracted cold storms, and consequent interruption of [or] retardation of the food supply. This catastrophe, which overtook most of the smaller migratory species, extended over a wide belt of about 1,000 miles from the Atlantic to the Middle West.

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R e c o r d s o f R e s i d e n t a n d M i g r a t o r y S p e c i e s

1. Song Sparrow; January 3 (1), Noble Rd., Mrs. Robert E. Ruedy. Such cases are to be interpreted as due either to a deficient migratory impulse (the bird having spent the summer here), or to a premature satisfaction of that impulse (its southward migration having been checked at this point); March 2, Cornell Road (2), Donald Hulme; March 3, Adelbert College Campus, Mr. Fraham; March 5 (numerous, singing 3-bar notes); March 6, Burton, Mrs. A.B. Marshall.
2. White-bellied Nuthatch; Reported during the winter.
3. Red-bellied Nuthatch; Adelbert College Campus, January 20, and later
4. Golden-crested Kinglet; Reported by Professor Hulme and others during the winter.
5. Downey Woodpecker; But few reported during the winter.
6. Black-capped Titmouse; But seldom noticed during the winter.
7. Cardinal; Mid-January, 2 males, Rockefeller Blvd; seldom reported
8. Brown Creeper; Variously reported in winter.
9. Blue Jay; Occasional during winter.
10. Crow; February 23, Noble Rd., first appearance after a period of mild weather.
11. Bluebird; Feb'y. 27, Wade Park, Mr. Henry T. Bailey; March 1, Adelbert College campus (15 in flock) Mr. E.P.F. Burns; March 2, Noble Rd., Mrs. Robert E. Ruedy.
12. Robin; March 1, Mayfield Rd., Donald Hulme, and Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy; March 2, Oberlin, Professor Hulme.
13. Tufted Titmouse; March 3, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy. Mar. 30, Congress Lake, Prof. Hulme.
14. Meadow Lark; March 3, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy; March 6, Stop 16, Euclid, Mr. Everett C. Myers.

15. Grackle; March 11, Noble Rd., (1) Mrs. Ruedy; March 13, Adelbert College Campus, (large flock) Mrs. Williams.
16. Flicker; March 13, College for Women Campus, Miss Emilie E. Arnold; March 20, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy, and Wade Park, Professor Hulme.
17. Sparrow Hawk; March 17, Mayfield Heights (2), Professor Hulme; March 21, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy, and Euclid, Mr. Myers.
18. Killdeer Plover; March 17, Mayfield Heights (1), Professor Hulme; March 21, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ryder.
19. Redwing Blackbird; March 18, Cleveland, Mrs. A.B. Marshall; also Euclid, Mr. Myers; March 19, Lake View (2), Professor Hulme; March 20, Euclid (2 males, 1 female), Mr. Myers. March 24, Noble Rd., Mrs. R.
20. Red-shouldered Hawk; March 20, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ryder.
21. Wood Thrush; May 9, Noble Rd. Mrs. R.; May 5, Lake View, Prof. Hulme
22. Wood Pewee; May 11, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy.
23. Junco; March 20, Wade Park, Professor Hulme; March 21, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy.
24. Towhee; March 20, Euclid (pair), Mr. Myers; March 22, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy.
25. Cowbird; March 21, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ryder.
26. Fox Sparrow; March 21, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy; March 24, Doan Brook (3) Professor Hulme.
27. Vesper Sparrow; March 22, Noble Rd., Mrs. Ruedy.
28. Mourning Dove; March 22, Cleveland Heights, Harold Hulme; March 23, Wade Park (2), Professor Hulme, March 28, Noble Rd., (pair), Mrs. Ruedy.
29. Scaup Duck; March 23, Wade Park, and March 24, Shaker Ponds, Professor Hulme. March 30, Congress Lake; 50-100, Professor Hulme.
30. Phoebe; March 25, Euclid, Stop 16, Mr. Myers. Mar. 30, Congress Lakes, Professor Hulme.